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VIA REGULAR MAIL

Executive Director Jack Confer

November 6, 2006

Ralph Laraiso, D.O. 330 Winspear Road Elam, NY 14059

RE: Letter of Concern, Case No. 3577

Dear Dr. Laraiso,

At their meeting on October 21, 2006, the Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery ("Board") conducted a review of the above-referenced complaint. Based on the information presented, the Board found there was insufficient evidence to conclude that your conduct constituted unprofessional conduct or to support direct action against your license. However, the Board voted to issue you this advisory LETTER OF CONCERN pursuant to the provisions of A.R.S. 32-1855 (D) (2). The Board was concerned that you may not have completed adequate follow up with this patient, which could ultimately lead to a violation of A.R.S. § 32-1854 (19) which states:

"Any conduct or practice contrary to recognized standards of ethics of the osteopathic medical profession."

A Letter of Concern is a non-disciplinary action that remains part of the public record of your license for five years from the date of issuance (October 21, 2006). During those years it will be provided in response to requests for copies of your license file or verifications of license status, including being posted on the Board's website. It also may be cited in future actions against your license. Because it is not a disciplinary action, it is not reported to the National Practitioner Data Base or Health Care Integrity and Protection Databank. Based on the information presented, the Board found that there were no violations of state law or rule directly related to the complaint,

Respectfull

Jack Confer

Executive Director

JC/s

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